SENATE BILL 1758

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-86-105, relative to the appointment of the emergency communications district board of directors.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-86-105(b), is amended by adding the following language as a newly designated subdivision (b)(5):

(5) Notwithstanding any provisions of this section to the contrary, in any county having a population of not less than eight hundred thousand (800,000), according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census, the county mayor may appoint a board of directors, composed of no fewer than seven (7) nor more than eleven (11) members, subject to confirmation by the chief legislative body of the county, which shall govern the affairs of the district. Appointments to the board of directors shall include members selected from minorities as well as members of the sex that historically has been underrepresented on boards and commissions of the county government. The county mayor and legislative body shall ensure that the views and opinions of all participating governmental entities are given full consideration in the selection of members of said board, with the exact methodology to be determined by local ordinance.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.